

SAUCON RAIL TRAIL OVERSIGHT COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes: June 26th – 6:00 PM

Coopersburg Borough

5 N. Main Street
Coopersburg PA 18036

I. Opening

A. Call to Order - President Steve LaBrake

B. Roll Call:

- Steve LaBrake - Hellertown
- Diana Inglis - Upper Saucon
- Pete Jarrett - Upper Saucon
- Roger Jurzak - Lower Saucon
- Tyler - Lower Saucon
- Phil Weber - Hellertown
- Ruth Poole - Coopersburg

II. Public Comment / Citizen Agenda Items

A. None

III. Public Comment (Related to Agenda Items Below)

A. None

IV. Trail Business

A. Allentown Formation Platform

1. Suggested tag with number to point to t=where trail users are using rocks as stairs
2. Graffiti - Pete Jarret recommending Lower Saucon has this removed.

B. Eagle Scout Projects

1. Diana had received a request to sell baked goods for money for signs. Not permitted. Steve suggested that this take place at the Saucon Valley Farmers Market.
2. Diana had another Eagle Scout looking for a project. They wanted to build birdhouses, though wanted direction from the SRTOC on what to do and how to move forward with the project. They were invited to a meeting to pursue ideas further.
3. Possible Coopersburg representative info given to Diana, will be provided to Ruth,

C. Mile Markers

1. Roger has wood, will get this to the college for routing, project moving forward.

D. Signal Restoration

1. Pete Jarrett suggested Hellertown do trimming to make the signal more visible.

E. Directional Signage

1. Delivered to Lower Saucon to be distributed (handled by borough managers)

F. Bridge at Mill Rd.

1. Per Roger Jurzak - should be painted week of 6/26/17

G. High St. Bridge

1. Tunnel in place, concrete still needs to be poured. Finish may be close to fall.

H. Water geology feature - Not is SRTOC jurisdiction.

I. Hellertown Saucon St. Access

1. Handrails are the only thing necessary, it will open as soon as the railing is complete.

J. Richland Update

1. P. Jarrett spoke with Frank Hollenbach. The township cleared brush (Shelley to California Rd.)
Rail is not lifted, the county and township are looking for grants for the trailhead.
2. Springfield township is looking for protocol to oversee the trail county line, up to 300 yards
of wetlands that need to be mitigated. PennDOT & DCNR have left this up to the municipalities.
3. Springfield has indicated if the county builds the boardwalk, they are not interested in maintaining it.

K. Coopersburg - no change

L. Bethlehem Update

1. The Greenway is completed, but not open. Possible open late fall. Gerters are installed.

M. New Trail Map - recommendations send to Joe - wait until next month.

N. Website/Facebook updates.

1. Diana has added the info from MaryAnn regarding butterfly plants to the website.

O. Reading Drive Trailhead

1. Advertisements on trail. S. LaBrake found two and pulled. R. Jurzak suggested that if ads have not gone
through the proper channels to be posted, it should be pulled.

V. Misc. Business Items

A. Previous meeting minutes. Motion to Approve from Diana, second from Phil.

B. Financial Report - no changes

C. Bills to Pay - 110 Front and TruValue approved

VI. Commissioner Updates

A. no updates from the municipalities

VII. Adjournment